[श्री कैलाशपति मिश्र]

शीघ्र से शीघ्र इसमें हस्तक्षेप करे, रिक्तियों को देखे और स्थायी स्वरूप की रिक्तियां कितनी हैं उनको पहचाने और ठेकेदारों से काम कराने की पद्धति को रोककर वहां स्थायी नियुक्तियां अविलम्ब आरम्भ करे।

**Slow progress in the Completion of Railway projects in West Bengal**

SHRIMATI KANAK MUKHERJEE (West Bengal): Madam Deputy Chairman, I wish to draw your attention and the attention of the House to the many railway projects still pending completion in West Bengal.

Madam, a number of railway projects in West Bengal—many of them are vital for the growth and progress of that State —are making very slow progress. Many of the projects have not yet been taken up even. To a recent question on the subject, the honourable Minister gave the information on the physical progress of those projects as being only three per cent to seven per cent. The reply shows the extreme casual approach of the railway authorities to these projects.

Electrification of the Bandel-Katwa and Asansol-Chittaranjan-Mughal Sarai in Sections is overdue since a long time, but have not yet been taken up by the Eastern Railway. So is the case with the Andel-Sainthia section doubling project, which has a very heavy traffic all the time. Digha-Tamluk, Eklakhi-Balurghat, Dimond Harbour-Namkhana Howrah-Amta, etc. sections having very heavy traffic, have no indication at all as to when they would be completed. Nothing is known about the possible completion of the now famous Circular Railway Project, which was designed to carry over one lakh passengers daily, to begin with, but which carries only two thousand passengers daily. The case of the extension of the Metro Railway from Tolly-gunge to Garia has not yet been processed even though this is a very critical link for the optimum utilization of the Metro. The most glaring example of neglect of West Bengal railway projects is the work of expansion by the addition of a 20-platform coaching complex with the addition of four new platforms at Howrah station, which is showing very slow progress. What is alarming is that this expansion does not include any additional facility or space for parking of vehicles bus terminus, etc. Similarly, the reorganization of coaching complex at Sealdah where the platform capacity needs immediate increase, is not showing any progress.

Madam, I would like to urge upon the Government and the Minister concerned to make a statement in the House on these projects and explain the programmes for completion of these projects which affect a large section of the people not only of West Bengal, but also of people all over India who have communication with West Bengal. Thank you, Madam.

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**I. BUDGET (KARNATAKA), 1989-9**

**II. KARNATAKA APPROPRIATIO BILL, 1989**

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: We shall now take up the Budget (Karnataka) 1989-90, General Discussion, and the Karnataka Appropriation Bill, 1989. Shri B. K. Gadhvi.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EXPENDITURE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI B. K. GADHVI): Madam, I beg to move:

"That the Bill to authorise payment and appropriation of certain sums from and out of the Consolidated Fund of the State of Karnataka for the services of the financial year 1989-90 as passed by the Lok Sabha, be taken into consideration."

As the hon. Members are aware, the Budget of the State of Karnataka for 1989-90 was presented to the Legislature of the State on 17th March 1989 and the Vote On Account for the expenditure estimated to be incurred during the first six months was obtained on 27th March 1989, and the Karnataka Appropriation (Vote on Account) Act, 1989, was passed in March 1989. Since the State Legislative Assembly was dissolved before the Demands for the full year could be voted the Budget for the financial year 1989-90 as presented to the State Legislature was presented to Parliament on 31st July 1989. The Lok Sabha granted the balance of the Demands for Grants and passed the connected Appropriation Bill which is now before this House. To meet the total estimated expenditure during the current year, the Bill provides for payment and appropriation out of the Consolidated Fund of Karnataka of a total sum of Rs. 5374.93 crores, comprising of Rs. 4073.26 crores voted by the Lok Sabha and Rs. 1301.67 crores charged on the Consolidated Fund of the State and is inclusive of the sum earlier authorised for withdrawal in the Karnataka Appropriation Act, 1989. Full details of the provisions are available in the Demands for Grants circulated to Members on the 31st July 1989.

Madam, I move.

The question was proposed.

श्रम मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री और संसदीय कार्य मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री राधाकिशन मालवीय): मैडम, मैं यह चाहूंगा कि कर्नाटक अप्रोप्रियेशन बिल पर लंच के बाद डिसकशन रखा जाय। जो भी सदस्य चर्चा शुरू करेंगे उन्हें बीच में ही डिस-कन्टीन्यू करना पड़ेगा।

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Let Mr. Chandre Gowda start and he can continue after lunch.

SHRI D. B. CHANDRE GOWDA (Karnataka): Madam, we can adjourn and meet at 2.30, as usual.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: We will be giving you twelve minutes in any case. Your time is 12 minutes.

SHRI D. B. CHANDRE GOWDA: I cannot speak anything in 12 minutes.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Unfortunately, when they take a decision in the Business Advisory Committees they do not realise. We have only 12 minutes registered.

SHRI D. B. CHANDRE GOWDA: I would draw your attention to the fact that this Bill was not discussed by the Opposition—an unfortunate situation.

SHRI H. HANUMANTHAPPA (Karnataka): The State Assembly would have discussed it for months together.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: If the Mtmbers agree, we can dispense with the lunch hour and continue. (*Interruptions*)

SHRI H. HANUMANTHAPPA: Why do you deprive us of ... (*Interruptions*)

SHRI JASWANT SINGH (Rajasthan): Why dispense with the lunch hour? (*Interruptions*)

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: It is better that we now adjourn for lunch and he can speak after lunch.

The House then adjourned for lunch at twenty-five minutes past one of the clock.

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The House reassembled after lunch at twenty-nine minutes past two of the clock.

**[The Vice-Chairman (Shri Jagesh Desai) in the Chair.]**

**I. BUDGET (KARNATAKA), 1989-90**
**II. KARNATAKA APPROPRIATION BILL, 1989—*contd.***

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SHRI JAGESH DESAI): Mr. Chandre Gowda.